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COMPONENT PLACING HEAD AND  
ORIGIN DETECTION METHOD OF  
COMPONENT PLACING HEAD

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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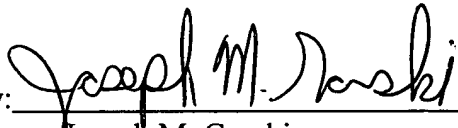
Sir:

In response to the Office Action of November 6, 2006, Applicants in the above-referenced U.S. Patent application hereby elect Species B corresponding to Figures 12 and 13, and claims 11-14.

An early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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